

The Daily Courant.

Tuesday, September 1. 1724.

London, September 1.
Yesterday arrived a Mail from Flanders.

Moscow, August 4.

THE last Express that brought to Petersburg Letters from the Czar's Minister at the Porte, went back again through this City for Constantinople with the Czar's Dispatches. There is now at Astracan a Convoy of 16 Ships laden with Provisions and Ammunition ready to sail under the Convoy of four Frigates towards the Caspian Sea. It is believed that the Treaty concluded between the Porte and the Czar concerning the Provinces conquered by the one and the other in Persia, will be made public before the Winter.

Dantzick, Aug. 23. The Letters from Riga bring Advice, that by the Czar's Order no unknown Passenger is permitted to go from Petersburg or Moscow towards Poland without a special Passport, and that a few Days ago there had been several Letters opened at the Post-House at Riga, brought from Petersburg by two ordinary Couriers. The Magazines at Riga are well provided, and as there is a plentiful Harvest, they will be still better. There is another Regiment of 3000 Foot arrived to reinforce the Garrison; and to make an Appearance upon the Arrival of his Czarish Majesty, all the Burghers will likewise be drawn up under Arms with their Officers at their Head.

The Bishop of Rochel's Mandate, mentioned in our former Paper of the 18th of August.

STEPHEN, by the Divine Providence, and by the Authority of the Apostolick See, Bishop of Rochel, to all the Clergy Secular and Regular of our Diocese, Greeting and Blessing in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We make no doubt at all, dear Brethren, but that you have groined, as well as we, on Account of the unhappy Condition which a great Part of the new Converts in our Diocese are in; after having abjured their Heresy, they have fallen back again into their former Errors, and live in a false Security, without performing any Exercise of Religion, as if they had nothing to fear with Regard to their eternal Salvation. We are persuaded, that the Loss of so many Souls has grieved you to the very bottom of your Heart, especially seeing it was almost impossible to prevent it, by Reason of their Obstinacy in refusing hitherto to give Ear to those who would willingly reclaim them from Error, and bring them into the Way of Salvation. But for as much as all the Motives and Arguments which could be hitherto laid before them, drawn merely from the Principles of Religion, have not been sufficient to engage them to be sincerely willing to be informed, and to lay aside all Prejudice in the controverted Points of Religion; his Majesty, always intent upon the good of Religion and the State, has lately furnished them with a new and very pressing Motive in his Declaration of the 17th of May last, which we send you herewith. There is Ground to hope, that the Consideration of their temporal Interest will perhaps make greater Impressions upon their Minds, and oblige them to examine sincerely, whether the Truth be not on our side and Error on theirs. For, to say no more, if we lay before them the Truth, it must be the highest Impudence in them to stick themselves obstinately bent against, and, as it were, determined not to receive it. Don't they see plainly that they expose themselves to the loss of their Wealth, to Banishment, Prisons, and to the other Penalties contained in the said Declaration, without reaping any other Advantage but that of their being hardened in Heresy, and to lose their Salvation, if they are to an-

happy as to persist in it. For these Reasons it is, my dear Brethren, and to preserve them, as much as lies in us, from incurring those temporal and eternal Punishments they are threatened with, and to bring them back into the Bosom of the Catholick Apostolick and Roman Church, in which alone they will find the spiritual Advantages they can hope for, in order to Salvation; we conjure you, by the Bowels of our Lord Jesus Christ, to double your Earnestness and Zeal to set about that great Work of their Conversion, and for that End we have thought fit to give you the following Advices.

1. As the Conversion of Heretics specially is the Work of God alone, and that we cannot succeed in it but through the abundant Grace of his Divine Mercy, we ought never to give over asking it from the God of all Goodness, with all possible Ardour and Piety, and for that purpose we enjoin you to read a Collect every Day at Mass (except on the yearly, and on all other solemn greater or lesser Festivals) for their Conversion, which Collect we have caused to be printed, and which we have sent you to be put in your Mass-Book.

2. You are to treat them with great Charity, Mildness and Civility, but with a resolute Firmness, without however using harsh and offensive Words, always remembering, that since the King, as Protector of the Holy Canons of the Church, has judged it proper to deal with them with a just and wholesome Severity, you ought on your Part, to use them in a gentle Way, in order to open their Hearts, and to engage them to relish and receive the Word of God.

3. You shall take Care to visit all the Families of the new Converts within your several Parishes, and take an exact List of the Fathers, Mothers, Children and Domesticks, their Name and Age, whereof you are to send me a Copy, as well as of their Substance.

4. Conform to the 6th Article of the King's Declaration aforesaid, you shall oblige Fathers, Mothers, Tutors, &c. to send their Children to be catechised, which you shall take Care to perform expressly for them twice a Week at least, and you may take for that End such two Days as you shall judge most Convenient for you and them. You shall likewise keep a List of those that shall fail of their Duty in this Respect, to oblige them to be present regularly at these Exercises, according to the King's Command.

5. You shall likewise take Care, according to the 7th Article of the same Declaration, to set up School-masters and Schoolmistresses in your Parish, if there are none already, and you shall have a particular Attention to their being of good Lives, and of their sincere and known Attachment to the Catholick Religion: Of all which you shall send us a Certificate in Form. All the new Converts Children shall be obliged to be put under their Care, unless they be dispensed with by our special Permission. These School-masters and Mistresses shall keep an exact List of them, they shall catechise them every Day at half an Hour in their Schools, and shall carry them every Day to hear Mass, if possible. You shall be watchful, every one in his Parish, that these School-masters and Mistresses do their Duty, and observe the Rules which we have made for the said Schools; of which Rules, every Master and Mistress shall take a Copy, and hang it up in their School. You shall give us an Account every Month of such new Converts as shall be wanting in their Duty, and of the Conduct of the Masters and Mistresses, and other, if need be.

6. You shall go every Week to visit the new Converts who are committed to your Care, until they are thoroughly converted. You shall instruct them in your Visits with a great deal of Mildness and Patience; you shall hear without interrupting, and

and answer without Passion; you shall explain to them our holy Mysteries, and you shall inculcate into them chiefly the Authority of the Church, which always has been, and will last till Time shall be no more, one Visible and Infallible Church; because being once thoroughly convinced of this Truth, they will soon be so of others: And to that End, you will shew them how much the Impressions given them against the Catholick Apostolick and Roman Church, are ill grounded and unreasonable. There will be held in this City, and in others of our Diocese, familiar Conferences, by able and learned Persons which we will name, for to give proper Instructions to clear up the Doubts of such as are still unhappily kept in Error by false Prejudices, and an ill-grounded Prevention; and those who shall have any Doubts, may apply themselves particularly to such Persons as they themselves think they can most confide in.

7. Altho' Physicians, Surgeons, Apothecaries, and Domesticks, be obliged to acquaint you when there shall be any sick Persons in the Families of the new Converts, we strictly recommend to you to be careful also to find it out yourselves, to the End that you may immediately go to them; and that without being wearied, you continue to visit, instruct, and oblige them to turn sincerely, to the end you may afterwards administer the Sacrament unto them. And in case (which God forbid) there should be found any of those Protestants, as it has happened too often, that should oppose your Endeavours, you shall act conformably to the 9th and 10th Articles of the said Declaration; and if the sick Persons themselves persist, not to listen to you, nor to submit to the Church, you shall conform yourselves to the same Articles just mentioned.

8. Whereas, contrary to the holy Canons, and to the King's Edicts and Declarations, there have been several Marriages made in the Absence of the proper Curate, and without his Leave, or the Leave of the Ordinary, and that the last Declaration of the 14th of May past renews all the former; we injoin you to make out an exact List of all the clandestine Marriages that have been made in your Parishes; in which List you are to set down the Names and Qualities of the Persons thus married, and the Date of the Marriages, and especially of those made within these Twelve Months, which Account you are to send us, and for the future you are carefully to prevent such like Marriages; for which Purpose, when you shall come to know of any, you shall immediately apply yourselves to the King's Attornies in your several Districts, or to the Fiscals, to proceed therein according to Law. And in case of Negligence or Refusal on their Part, you shall let us know it, that we may set our own Promoters to work upon it; and all this according to the King's Declaration of the 15th of June, 1697, which is renewed by the last, which we send you both together.

We exhort you, our dear Brethren, to stir up more and more your Zeal on this important and pressing Occasion, which concerns the Salvation of the Souls committed to your Care, and of which you are to give a strict Account before the Tribunal of the Almighty; and not to be discouraged by whatever Troubles and Difficulties you may meet with, which should rather serve to excite and enliven your Zeal as they will tend to increase your Merit. You are to read this our Mandate, together with the King's Declaration, at your Prow as soon as they come to your Hands. Given at Rochel, July 25, 1724.

Signed STEPHEN, Bishop of Rochel.
And underneath,
By Order of his Lordship, Ronleau.

Dartmouth, Aug. 28. Came in the Dorothy from Holland.

Comey, Aug. 28. Came in the Chester from Norway for Falmouth; and Lancelot and Jane from Norway.

Liverpool, Aug. 28. Came in the Providence from Virginia, and Ellis from Stockholm.

Deal, Aug. 28. Came in the Princess Ann from the East Indies; Benjamin from Antegoa; Elizabeth and Francis from Maryland; Negroes Nest from Antegoa; and the Rose from Oporto.

Deal, Aug. 29. Came in the Hampshire from New-England; Banstead Adventure and Towel Galley, both from Nevis.

Deal, Aug. 30. This Day sailed the Dover Man of War for the River. Came in the Francis from Nevis; Charles from Barbadoes; Prince George from Waterford; Spencer from Holland; and King's Fisher from Riga.

Gravesend, Aug. 29. Passed by the James, Three Brothers, John and Benjamin, Charles, John and Mary, Ann, James and Mathew, and Joseph and Titus, from Norway; Joannah from Riga; the Francis and Jane, and Mathew and William, from Gottenbourg; and Archangel from Riga.

London, September 1.
Yesterday South-Sea Stock was 117. 116 3 qrs. 116 7 8ths. 116 1 half. South-Sea Annuity 105 7 8ths. to 106. Bank 132, 131 1 half. India 144 3 qrs. 144. to 144 1 half. African 8 1 half. York-Buildings 6 3 qrs. 6 1 half. Royal Exchange Assurance 54. London Assurance 7 7 8ths. Undrawn Lottery Tickets 121. 146. 121. 186.

These are to give Notice to all Gentlemen and others charged to the Westminster Troop of Horse-Militia, That they are to Parade, mounted on an able black or brown Horse, in all the Accoutrements directed in their Tickets, with Laced Hats, in Great Lincoln's-Inn-Fields, by Seven in the Morning, on Thursday the 3d of September Instant; and all Persons concerned are desired to give Notice to Mr. James Cunningham, Clerk of the Troop, at his House in St. Clement's-Lane, Clare-Market, what Care will be taken for performing the said Duty. N. B. Such Riders as shall not appear well mounted, with good Arms, broad Swords, and clean Buff Coats, will be rejected.

In this Advertisement in Yesterday's Courant, for Thursday the 4th, read Thursday the 3d, as above.

The Commissioners appointed for building the Parish Church of St. Botolph Bishopsgate give Notice to all Masons, Bricklayers, and Carpenters, willing to contract with them (according to a Plan and Drafts for the said Church, that may be seen at William Territt's, Clerk to the said Commissioners, at his House in Hand-Alley without Bishopsgate) for each of their proper Works, may deliver their Proposals, sealed up, to the said William Territt, on or before the 15th Day September 1724.

Whereas James Watlington, a young Man of about 22 Years of Age, about five Foot three Inches high, and stooping in the Shoulders, pale Complexion, and a very hoarse and slow Voice, wearing some time Scarlet with yellow Metal Buttons, sometimes a light colour'd Cloth trimmed with Silver, and sometimes a black brown Stuff Suit, and a fair Wig, formerly Page to the Right Honourable the Countess of Ranelagh now living at North-End near Halesowen, is gone away with 5 or 600 l. of the said Countess's Money: If any Person will secure him, so as he may be brought to Justice, they shall receive from the said Countess 50 l. Reward. N. B. William Vaughan, aged about 24, five Foot and half high, very thin and pale Complexion, black Eyes and Brows, wearing a light Wig and black Cloaths, was a constant Companion of the abovesaid Watlington, and seen together the Day he went off, and as supposed is gone with the said Watlington, and if he will secure him, he shall have the said 50 l. paid by the said Countess of Ranelagh.

Lost on Friday Night last, the 28th of August, a Bank Note, N^o 23. for 50 l. payable to Humphry Bishop, dated August 26, 1724. Whoever brings it to John Young, at the Dolphin and Crown in St. Paul's-Church-Yard, shall have Five Guineas Reward, and no Questions asked; Payment being stop'd at the Bank.

To be Sold.
A handsome Saddle Gelding, four Years old, about 15 Hands high, well marked. Enquire at the Pale Beer Brewhouse in Knaves-Acre near Golden-Square.

To be Lett at Michaelmas next, at Camberwell,
A House, Barn, &c. with 28 Acres of Land. Enquire of Mr. John Wildman at Blacksmith's-Hall in Thames-street.

To be Lett at Michaelmas next,
A Convenient House, in Green Dragonn Yard, High Holborn, near the Watch-house, with Stabling for 20 Horses, and other Conveniences.

To be sold a great Pennworth,
A very handsome Chariot, little the worse for wear, of a Gentleman's. Also a light Machine, lately used, both with whole Horse-Glances, and very fashionable. To be seen at the Crown, a Coachmaker's, over-against the Bull and Gate in High Holborn.

This Day is Published,
A Sermon preached before the Rt. Hon^{ble} Sir PETER DELME, Knt. Lord-Mayor, the Aldermen and Citizens of London, at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, on Saturday, August 1, 1724. being the Anniversary of His Majesty's Accession to the Throne. By BENJAMIN IBBOT, D. D. Rector of St. Paul's Shadwell, and Chaplain in Ordinary to His Majesty. Printed for John Wyat, at the Rose in St. Paul's Church-yard.

Where may be had,
Bishop Bradford's Sermon on Confirmation, and the Bishop of Lichon's Sermon, and Tracts.

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